## \* McKINLEYVILLE TOWN CENTER

# **Uncertainties plague** downtown planning

**Jack Durham** MAD RIVER UNION McKINLEYVILLE The McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee faces a dilemma when it comes to planning for the future of the McKinleyville

Town Center. On one hand, the language in the ordinance the committee is reviewing needs to be specific enough that their vision for how the heart of the community will be developed will come true.

On the flip side, the committee doesn't know what most of the future projects will be, so the language needs to be flexible enough to accommodate all sorts of unknowns.

This back and forth continued at the McKMAC's Jan. 25 meeting, during which the wordsmithing of the ordinance went on.

Most of the focus was on the undeveloped propleyville Shopping Center and south of Hiller Road.

The draft ordinance calls for the area directly behind the shopping center to be a mixed use area. There would be multistory buildings with commercial use on the bottom floors and residential above. The buildings would be built adjacent to the sidewalks, giving the area the feeling of a downtown, kind of like Downtown Arcata and Old Town Eureka.

There are also portions of the undeveloped property that could be used for just residential buildings.

One of the committee's concerns is that the area not be dominated by residential buildings without commercial space. That would defeat the idea of creating a vibrant downtown.

One suggested proposal was to limit residential-only projects to 25 percent of

# Bohn's 'topless' quip brings condemnation

**Rex Bohn** 

**Daniel Mintz** MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - Hum-

boldt County Supervisor Rex Bohn's tendency to offend is causing controversy again, this time with what's

described "hostile sexism" at a well-attended fundraiser.

Trouble was clearly afoot when the Jan. 31 Board of Supervisors meeting began with a short and somewhat dismissive apology by Bohn.

After pointing out that the offensive comment said, "It has been brought to my attention" that "I said something that was inappropriate."

He apologized and said he acknowledges it, and the board moved on.

Coincidentally, agenda included a presentation on the county's efforts to effect "organiza-

> tional change" promoting social and cultural sensitivity.

After a staff presentation on it, Supervisor Natalie Arroyo described how Bohn's behavior at a Eure-

ka fundraiser clashes with the culture change concept.

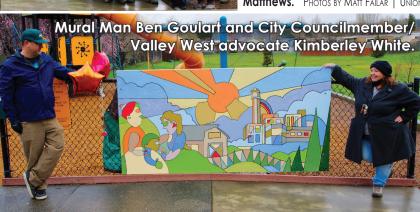
Then she read a statewas made as he performed ment from Humboldt Hill his "742nd auction," Bohn resident Leila Roberts, who was at the auction event.

Roberts wrote that she "saw disgust, confusion

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WESTERN CIVILIZATION After a Clean the Sidewalk event harvested 650 lbs. of litter Sunday morning in Valley West, the new mural created with residents of The Grove was unveiled. CUNA rewarded volunteers with gift certificates from Ray's Food Place, Riptide Café and Humboldt Pet Supply. Below left, cleanup volunteers, including Mayor Sarah Schaefer and Vice Mayor Meredith Matthews. Photos by Matt Failar | Union



## erty behind the McKin-**TOWN CENTER ❖ PAGE 4** Gateway form-based

code workshop Feb. 11 CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA - The Community Development Department of the City of Arcata invites the public to the in-person form-based code workshop on Saturday, Feb. 11.

The Community Development Department continues to work on the draft of the Gateway Area Plan and formbased code, which taken together will provide detailed guidance for how Arcata's Gateway Area could be redeveloped to create more housing and economic opportunities for the community.

The Gateway Area Plan is a policy-level document and does not contain development requirements. The City is currently developing a form-based code which will provide this specific development guidance and there are upcoming opportunities for public engagement.

The first series of virtual workshops to discuss the contents of the form-based code was held in the summer of 2022, as well as an additional workshop on Thursday, Jan. 19.

Video recordings of these meetings, including the virtual Town Hall, Planning Commission and council meet-

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# Supes tackle housing, road taxing, Medicare

**Daniel Mintz** MAD RIVER UNION

HUMBOLDT - A team effort that includes a former county health officer seeks to establish a "resident-led" senior housing community that would be part of McKin-

leyville's new town square. The Life Plan Humboldt (LPH) non-profit corporation is eyeing a 15-acre site bordering Central and Hiller

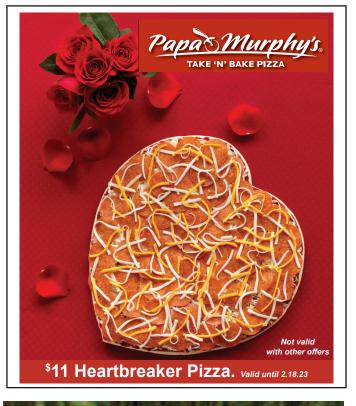
avenues for a \$75 million senior housing project. It would give seniors a "life plan community living"

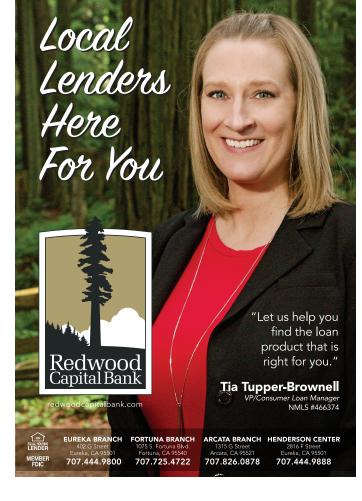
opportunity in 144 housing units, with a range of wellness services and amenities. To get bond financing, LPH is seeking \$2.5 million in

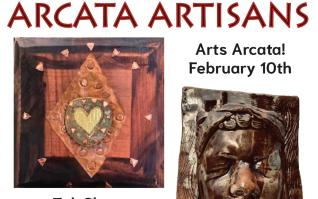
state funding to supplement \$2 million of donations and the county's Board of Supervisors approved a letter supporting the ask at its Jan. 31 meeting. Former county Health Officer Dr. Ann Lindsay, a

member of LPH's board of directors, told supervisors the project's community-oriented model would be a first for the county and the nearest housing similar to it is 200 miles away.

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## Coast Central's Community Investment Program accepting grant applications

COAST CENTRAL CREDIT UNION HUMBOLDT - Coast Credit Union (CCCU) announced that the spring 2023 round of its Community Investment Program is now open. With the recent Board of Directors' approval of an increase up to \$300,000 in grants annually, \$150,000 is available this round to support local organizations throughout Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity counties.

Grant amounts generally range from \$3,000 to a maximum of \$25,000, and there are usually 8 to 12 recipients. The giving program was created in 2008, and since then has awarded a total of over \$2 million to 200 organizations

throughout its tri-county service area. Recent grant recipients have included Eureka Rescue Mission, Hoopa American Legion, and Adult Day Health Care of Mad River.

In 2023 CCCU has planned for an unprecedented \$650,000 in total community giving through its grant, sponsorship, and college scholarship programs. Additionally, its employees volunteer over 3,000 hours throughout its three counties. Through banking with CCCU, individuals and businesses directly support these efforts.

Applications and more information may be obtained online at coastccu. org under the Community tab, and by contacting Coast Central's VP of Marketing & Communications Colleen Toste at (707) 445-8801, x 1309 or ctoste@coastccu.org. The deadline is Tuesday, Feb. 28 by 5 p.m., and applications are due to Humboldt Area Foundation, either via email at grants@hafoundation.org or mailed to 363 Indianola Rd., Bayside CA 95524.

A committee comprised of credit union staff will review completed applications and then make recommendations to Coast Central's Board of Directors, who ultimately approves the grants. The Board's decisions will be announced by late April.

Coast Central Credit Union is the largest member-owned financial institution in the area, with \$2 billion in assets, 76,500 members, and operating 11 Member Services Branches throughout Humboldt, Del Norte and Trinity counties, including McKinleyville, open six days a week and Bayshore Mall, open seven days a week. Individuals and businesses in those three counties are able to join online at coastccu. org/join. Members also have free access to Online and Mobile Banking and a network of 30,000 ATMs nationwide. More information is available at coastccu.org, facebook.com/ coastcentral, @coastccu on Instagram, or by calling (707) 445-8801.



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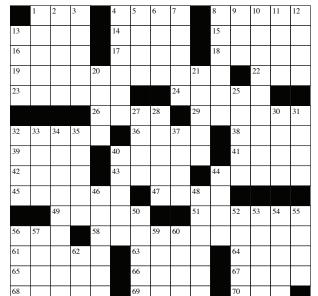
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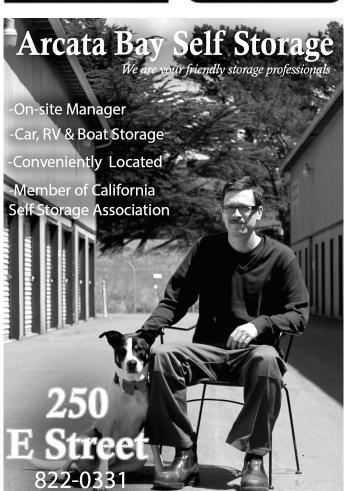
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# **CCF** offers funding for schools, orgs

NORTH COAST CO-OP

HUMBOLDT - North Coast Co-op invites tax-exempt, local nonprofit organizations (or organizations fiscally sponsored by one) and/or public schools located in Humboldt County to apply to its Cooperative Community Fund grant program. This year there is \$22,000 available for grants ranging \$500 to \$3,000.

Funds will be granted to projects that address at least one of the following:

- Sustainability recycling, alternative
- transportation, etc.
- Community Development healthcare, social services, diversity, equity &

inclusion, etc.

- Food Security & Education sustainable agriculture, local food economy, food nutrition and education etc.
- Cooperatives co-op organizations, co-op development, co-op education, etc. Applications for Cooperative Community Fund grants are being accepted through March 24, 2023.

Applications are available online or can be picked up at the Arcata and Eureka Co-op customer service desks.

For more information and to download the application go to northcoast.coop/ CCFGrants.

## Volunteer for Co-op's Community Fund

NORTH COAST CO-OP

HUMBOLDT - The Coop's Cooperative Community Fund (CCF) was started in 1999 and has since granted over \$540,000 to support groups working to improve the community.

At its inception it was said that "money shall be raised, and the Foundation administered so that every Co-op member and donor feels proud, effective, and special. Money shall be distributed in a fashion to create goodwill throughout our community."

We want to ensure that the original intentions remain strong; that members effective in administering CCF Funds.

This is why each year we encourage Co-op members to apply to volunteer on the CCF Grant Committee. Serving on the committee is a great way to get a glimpse of the great work local organizations are involved with in our community, while playing a part in funding the projects you think will have the biggest impact.

The CCF Grant committee reviews grant applications and makes recommendations of who to fund. Last year the Co-op

and donors feel proud and received 25 grant applications and the committee chose to award over \$20,000 to 10 great community projects. This year there is \$22,000 available for grants ranging from \$500 to \$3,000.

Applications to volunteer on the committee will be accepted now through February 28, 2023.

Full details about volunteering on the committee can be found on the Co-op website, northcoast.coop/ CCFgrants or by requesting an application from customer service in either store. Applications are due Tuesday, Feb. 28, 2023.

## Donate to FOD's Get Outside Gear sale

FRIENDS OF THE DUNES

NOHUM - Friends of the Dunes is gearing up for the Get Outside Gear Sale and wants your old stuff! Make room for more adventure by donating your gently used outdoor gear for this annual fundraiser taking place on Saturday, April 1, 2023. Donations are now being accepted Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Humboldt Coastal Nature Center, 220 Stamps Lane in Manila and at Adventure's Edge in Eureka and Arcata.

The Get Outside Gear Sale supports Friends of the Dunes education and stewardship programs, provides the community with excellent deals on outdoor gear,

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of the Redwoods

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and encourages buying used which is great for the environment!

What is outdoor gear? Camping and backpacking equipment, fishing gear, kayaks and canoes, gardening tools, surfboards, bikes, field guides, binoculars, hiking boots, pet gear, and so much more! Clear out that storage of gear you no longer use, and score some new-to-you used gear at the Gear Sale on April 1! Please note we do not accept skis, snowboards, golf clubs, spray skirts, weapons, gas canisters, car racks, or any moldy items.

Please call (707) 444-1397 or visit friendsofthedunes.org/gearsale for more information.

WILPF PEACE SCHOLARSHIPS The Humboldt Branch of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) is seeking applications for its' Edilith Eckart and Jene McCovey Memorial Peace Scholarship. The scholarship grants support projects that promote peace and social justice, locally or globally. Grants will range from \$150-\$500. Applications are due by April 1. Information and the online application is available at *wilpfhumboldt*. wordpress.com/scholarship-information/. You may also mail applications to: WILPF, P.O. Box 867, Arcata, CA

95518 and call (707) 822-5711 with any questions.



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**SWEET VALENTINE** Katrin Homan, Trinidad Civic Club member, shows handmade Valentines. Club members made 71 personalized cards that will be delivered to residents at Timber Ridge in McKinleyville. Janine Volkmar | Union

**GO BEAVERS!** Several Humboldt County students have made the Scholastic Honor Roll Fall 2022 at Oregon State University in Corvallis, Ore. They are Arcata resident Adam C. Davison, freshman, University Exploratory Studies; Arcata resident Jonathon A. Fisher, senior, public policy; Arcata resident Daniel J. Maltz, junior, natural resources; Arcata resident Ashley I. Mckelvey, senior, nutrition; Bayside resident Meiwan M. Gottschalk, sophomore, human development and family science; Ferndale resident Brianna G. Rimmey, junior, agricultural & food business management; and McKinleyville resident Nicholas R. Ford, freshman, general engineering.

The concrete work on United Creamery No. 1 has been finished for several days passed, and the building is now in the hands of painters, plumbers and carpenters. The job has been a long and expensive one, and when all finished a full description will appear in these columns. President M. P. Roberts and Manager Peter Johansson have been given considerable time to the overseeing of the work, and a fine job is being done. The creamery will be ready for business around April 1.





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## **Puppy Love Party at Mad River Brewery Sat**

Janine Volkmar MAD RIVER UNION

BLUE LAKE - The Mad River Brewery in Blue Lake has always been dog-friendly. The water bowls are always on the patio. And, even in inclement weather, the tent is up so that dogs and their owners can party.

Puppy Love Party on Saturday, Feb. 11 is a perfect example. Co-hosted by the Brewery and Gloria Baker (and her dog, Luna), the party will feature food, drinks, pet-centric vendors, D.J. L.S.B. playing a variety of music from disco funk to deep house, and a contest with prizes.

"It will be the opposite of the Westminster Dog Show," Baker explained.

Contest categories are best human-and-dog costume, best dog-only costume, ugliest dog (awwww), fluffiest dog, and the cutest dog trick. The party runs from noon until 6 p.m. with the contest around 3 p.m. Enter your dog before 3 p.m. and receive a number to display as you enjoy the festivities. There will be a prize package for each category. (Wait, category? Shouldn't that be dogegory? Oh, never mind.)

Here's a chance to try out Low & Slow BBQ and some of the latest offerings from the Tap Room.

Baker started the pop-up dog events as part of her vision for Hounds of Humboldt. In her senior year at Cal Poly Humboldt in 2020, she wrote a 30-page business plan for her dream business: an indoor-outdoor dog park and taproom. Since then, she has kept busy hosting events in parks and venues to spread awareness and get feedback on her idea. She credits the North Coast Small Business Development Center for helping her develop a timeline and im-

Visit her website, Hounds of Humboldt.com to see the evidence of her hard work and some hilarious photos of previous contests.

There is no entrance fee for the events. Those without dogs are especially welcome to get their puppy fix. A puppy kissing booth with a donation of \$3 will be available.

The Mad River Brewery and Tap Room is located at 195 Taylor Way in Blue Lake. madriverbrewing.com

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Medicare & Medicaid Services

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## **Supes \* FROM PAGE 1** and would need a two-thirds

But there's local need for the project. "There are a number of reasons why we feel older adults are vulnerable," Lindsay said. "Social isolation has been shown to increase the risk of dementia and depression."

The project's location would put residents at the heart of town and they'll be "integrated in the community."

A \$252,000 entry fee "assures you a lifetime residence" including all services, along with monthly fees ranging from \$1,585 to \$4,804, depending on how much money is raised for pre-financing.

Lindsay said the project will create 40 full time jobs and have an annual \$4 million operating budget.

"It'll be the economic center for the McKinleyville verted to various insurance Town Center – just having all the people who walk rather than drive and support the businesses there," she said.

Supervisors unanimously approved the letter, which vouches for LPH's plan and says that "having close relationships and frequent social interactions are two of the strongest predictors of a longer life."

LPH's Board of Directors also includes former McKinleyville Community Services District General Manager Greg Orsini, former state Assemblymember Patty Berg and Lost Coast Communications President Patrick Cleary.

## Road funding change afoot

Also at the meeting, supervisors fielded a presentation from Caltrans on changing the way vehicle owners are charged for their use of roads.

Road projects are now funded through a tax on gas and fuel but electric vehicles are upending that model.

"We can't rely on (gas tax) to fund our transportation system in the future," said Laura Prehoda of Caltrans. "Our cars are getting more fuel-efficient, which is fantastic ... but that means you pay less in gas tax because you're buying less gas and more and more vehicles are not using gas at all."

A "new idea" is to charge tax based on mileage rather than gas purchases. Caltrans is launching pilot programs, including in Humboldt, with "incentives" of up to \$250 each for residents to test a "high-tech" mileage reporting system using GPS.

Prehoda said in California, 18 percent of vehicles are now electric, pressuring creation of a new taxing

scheme that is "more fair." But she said it isn't "a done deal by any means"

# This Valentine is full of love and looking for a lap

Mara Sega

days and the erratic weather? Here's a boy to bring you some love and make you feel like you are the most wonderful person in the world! Our Valentine lives up to his name.

Valentine is about six years old and appears to be a Lab mix. He was found at Clam Beach at the end of December. Could he be a surfer's dog? Left behind by campers? Dumped? We never know and the dogs can't tell us. We are happy that he is warm and dry at the shelter and can count on

a good meal every day. As we have come to know Valentine (we named him), we have seen a dog who prefers to start his allotted time with a nice cuddle session instead of being in a hurry to leave the kennel. He does love a nice walk, but likes to snuggle up first! Valentine has definitely been someone's pet; he came in already neutered, appears to be housebroken, knows Sit, walks pretty well on the leash and has been friendly with everyone he's met. He was completely coop-

**Neeling a little down with the short** erative with the shelter staff for "processing" when they vaccinate, weigh, worm, give flea treatment and even take blood for

a heartworm test.

Valentine is much more comfortable around humans than other dogs. He generally ignores the other kennels as he comes and goes from his own. Occasionally he stops and says hi to one of his neighbors. Outside he is less interested in meeting other dogs, though he is fine

walking on the paths while others are out too. His desire to please his human encourages him to stay focused and keep his attention on his handler.

Valentine is a nice size at about 55 pounds. He is neutered, microchipped and current on his vaccinations. He is ready to find a home where he can shower his new person with lots of love! A soft bed and a warm lap to lay his head will make this sweet boy the happiest dog around. Contact redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com or leave a voicemail at (707) 633-8842.



## McKinleyville sees promising developments ahead

**Jack Durham** 

MAD RIVER UNION

McKINLEYVILLE - As the unincorporated community of McKinleyville looks to the future, there's great uncertainty about the state of the economy.

There are fears locally and nationally of an economic slowdown, and yet there are promising developments in Humboldt, with wind energy, a fish farm and the expansion of Cal Poly Humboldt, which could pump millions of dollars into the local economy.

These and other issues were discussed Jan. 18 during the McKinleyville Chamber of Commerce's annual State of McKinleyville meeting, attended by about 50 residents at Azalea Hall.

Panelist Scott Adair, director of Economic Development for the County of Humboldt, reviewed the current economic status, noting high inflation, high gas prices and rising interest rates.

The United States has experienced a spike in inflation over the last two years, with 7 percent inflation in 2021 and 7.1 in 2022, according to the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

As consumers get squeezed, they reduce their expenditures on extras like items from boutiques and eating out at restaurants. This is something that is felt by local stores and eateries, some of which have seen a decrease in sales.

In an effort to battle inflation, the Federal Reserve has raised interest rates to the highest level in 15 years, according to Adair. When Adair spoke in McKinleyville, the rate was 4.5 percent. Last week it was raised again to 4.65

Although inflation is slowing down, the higher interest rates make it more difficult for people to borrow money for housing and other projects.

"In some cases, this makes borrow-

ing activity (especially for those who face challenges in accessing capital) too burdensome or cost prohibitive," states an economic impact report from Humboldt's Economic Development Department.

Humboldt has also seen a dip in home values compared to July of 2022.

"According to the California Association of Realtors (CAR) home values in Humboldt County [went] down 6.5% from a highpoint in July of 2022, and slightly below today from what home values in November of 2021," states the economic impact report. "The median home price in California is expected to decline of 8.8% in 2023. Inventory is also down due to rising interest rates, and as homeowners wait out the decline in values. In CAR's 2023 California Housing Market Forecast report, CAR predicts a 7.2 percent drop existing single-family home sale activity in 2023." Meanwhile, rental rates are up.

"According to a 2022 report by the National Low Income Housing Coalition, Humboldt County residents need

to make more than minimum wage in order to afford rental housing. A county resident would need to make \$21.38 [an hour], or \$44,480 annually, to afford a \$1,112 rental," according to the economic impact report.

The result is that many millennials are moving back into their parents' homes. Another challenge for Humboldters is the price of gas.

According to Adair, as of the State of McKinleyville meeting, regular fuel was \$4.85 a gallon, which is 10 percent higher than the state average and nearly 50 percent higher than the national average.

On the flip side, unemployment in Humboldt is at a four-year low of 3.7 percent, Adair said.

While it's unclear whether there will be recession and what it would mean for Humboldt County, there are also positive developments on the horizon.

"Humboldt County is on the precipice of great prosperity," Adair said.

He noted that the state is investing nearly half a billion dollars in Cal Poly Humboldt.

"While fixed numbers are not yet certain, other models demonstrate that polytechnic universities can generate tens of millions of new dollars in communities where they reside," states the county's economic impact report.

There is also the Nordic Aquafarms fish farm project proposed on the Samoa Peninsula and proposed off-shore wind farms. "The potential for offshore wind

places Humboldt in line for a genuine prosperity boom," states the economic impact report.

Also speaking at the State of McKinleyville meeting was Fifth District Supervisor Steve Madrone, who represents McKinleyville.

Madrone is pushing for the creation of Vista Point Park on county owned land just south of the existing Vista Point along U.S. Highway 101 west of the airport. "That's called a million dollar view," Madrone said.

sible to travelers on southbound U.S. Highway 101. Madrone would like to reconfigure the Vista Point so that drivers in both directions could exit at Airport Road, which has an overcrossing.

The current Vista Point is only acces-

The area would be developed into a park, with a visitor center, parking and trails. "That's going to bring people to town," Madrone said. "We can make that happen."

Visitors, he said, would then stay overnight, eat at local restaurants and go shopping. This would be a boost to local businesses.

## **Gateway** | Planco meets Saturday

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ings are available to view on the City of Arcata's YouTube channel.

The form-based code workshops will be held in pairs. The first in each pair will provide the public an opportunity to work through the material with staff and consultants.

The second meeting in the set will be a Planning Commission study session to consider the topics and public input from the first meeting so the Commission can develop recommendations to the council. The City held the first in the pair on massing and building articulation in January.

The Planning Commission study session on that topic will be held on Saturday, Feb. 11 in the City Council Chamber and will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 12:30 p.m. Those who are unable to attend are encouraged to

share their comments by email to dloya@cityofarcata.org.

There are two more topics in this series of form-based code workshops. The next public workshop will occur on Thursday, Feb. 23, and community members should expect more information nearer to that date.

Also, check the engagement page ("how do I get involved" link) on City's SIRP website for updates on engagement opportunities.

Arcata residents are encouraged share their input and reach out with questions regarding the draft of Arcata Gateway Area Plan.

City staff can be reached by email at comdev@cityofarcata. org or by calling (707) 822-5955. In addition, City staff is available to meet with individuals or groups of community members interested in discussing the plan virtually or in person.

## **Town Center** | Limits

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the undeveloped property.

However, this would nix Life Plan Humboldt's proposal to build a senior housing project south of Hiller Road. The non-profit is negotiating with the Pierson family to purchase 11 acres.

The committee ultimately agreed with county Planning Director John Ford's suggestion that residential-only projects be limited to less than 25 percent of the developable property, with an exemption for senior housing.

The committee also agreed to limit building height to four stories, without specifying how many feet tall the building could be.

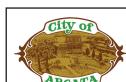
The committee also spent time reviewing the "purpose and intent" of the ordinance and agreed on the following:

The McKinleyville Town Center Q Zone is intended to conform to the McKinleyville Community Plan which creates a unique community center characterized by development emphasizing multi-modal connectivity (pedestrian, bicycle and public transit), public meeting and gathering spaces, open space and wetland preservation with a full range of mixed use commercial, office, civic and high density residential uses.

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**MAINTENANCE WORKER** (STREETS/UTILITIES) \$38,634.33 - \$52,990.01/yr. 4% Salary increase in July 2023

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## **ADMINISTRATIVE SPECIALIST**

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## Shark Ears on menu for **View Room luncheon**

HUMBOLDT ERFSA

ARCATA – Humboldt ERFSA, the Emeritus and Retired Faculty and Staff Association is pleased to announce the start of their Spring luncheon lecture series this week at the Plaza View Room, 780 Seventh St. in Arcata.

The first in the series be-



Allison

gins on Thursday, Feb. 9, with a presentation and discussion

with Allison **Bronson** Bron-

son, titled "The Evolutionary Anatomy of Shark Ears."

Allison is a lecturer in the Department of Biological Sciences, at Cal Poly Humboldt and a recipient of an ERFSA small grant for her research.

Though sharks are over 400 million years old, they are also hyper-specialized to fill a variety of ecological roles, from top pelagic predators to gentle planktivorous giants.

Some of these adaptations are obvious, such as variation in their cartilaginous skeletons, formidable rows of teeth, and highly-movable jaws. Others are harder to detect but no less important.

With the help of high-resolution CT scanning, Allison has been investigating the anatomy of their highly-adapted inner ear, unique among fishes for its ability to detect very low-frequency sound. Researchers found that the inner ears of sharks vary dramatically in their morphology.

These findings lead to further questions: Why are these ears so diverse? Does this relate only to these fishes' evolutionary history, or does this diversity reflect ecological differences? Come and find out!

All guests should be fully COVID-19 vaccinated and may wear masks while attending.

Meet and greets begin at 11:30 a.m. Food and beverages will be served at 11:45 a.m. and the presentation begins at 12:10 p.m.

Hot lunch, prepared by Uniquely Yours Catering, includes an assorted bread selection, salad, a vegetarian side dish, and an entrée.

The price for lunch is \$17.50, payable by cash or

Guests can have a "take away" meal by either bringing their own container or paying \$1 for a provided container. Wine is available for purchase; Humboldt ERFSA will cover the cost of the first



glass of wine for those who purchase lunch.

The lecture series continues with a presentation by Lori Dengler, emeritus professor of Geology, and co-director of the Humboldt Earthquake Education Center on March 9; Matthew Marshall, executive director of the Redwood Coast Energy Authority will present on April 13; and Jeffrey Crane, dean of the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences talks on May 11.

Humboldt hopes to see you at one or all of these special presentations.

Captain O. K. Camenish, Humboldt area commander of the California Highway Patrol, reports that since Jan. 1, all motor vehicles, except motorcycles, are required to have a side view mirror mounted on the left side of the vehicle.

- Arcata Union, Feb. 9, 1968

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# RISING LIKE A. . . Coramic

ALL THINGS CLAY The Arcata Chamber of Commerce last Friday held a ribbon cutting at Phoenix Ceramic & Fire Supply to recognize new owner Lily Haas, who purchased the business from Noel Munn last fall. Located in Arcata's Creamery

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District at 824 L St., Phoenix is the only ceramics supply store on the North Coast. For more information, sphoenixceramic.shop and follow them on Facebook and Instagram. PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION

PARENTS NIGHT OUT IN BAYSIDE "Parents Night Out" is planned for Saturday, Feb. 11 at Mistwood Educational Center in Bayside. Community members can sign up by calling (707) 826-1150 or at mistwoodvillage.org. Mistwood has begun enrollment for grades TK through 12th for the 2023-2024 school year. The school also has an opening for a teacher position for 2023-2024 posted on their website.

**LIMERICKS WANTED** "An Evening of Irish Music and Humor" on Friday, March 17 at the Bayside Temperance Hall, is your opportunity to poke fun at friends, neighbors, community leaders and feature favorite local landmarks and hangouts. This event will feature performances from local Irish musicians Good Company and Seabury Gould. Email your limericks to baysidecorners@gmail.com by March 16. If your limerick is selected to be read, you'll win a beer. Bayside limerick-writing instructions will be posted on baysidecorners.org and the Bayside Corners' Facebook page. Purchase your event tickets on the website, Facebook, mail-in check, and by email, or calling (707) 826-2021. Event proceeds support the repair and restoration of the 130 year old Temperance Hall and improvements of this Bayside centerpiece property.



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## **O**BITUARY



# Maureen Ann Finigan Brennan

aureen Ann Finigan Brennan, 70, of Windsor, Calif., passed away on January 9, 2023.

Maureen was born on May 11, 1952, to John and Patricia Finigan in Arcata, Calif. She spoke fondly of growing up amongst the redwoods with her four siblings. Living adjacent to the forest with her Game

Warden father she developed a love for nature as well as an encyclopedia-like ability to identify nearly any plant, animal, or bird.

She moved to Sonoma County in the early '70s and started her career at Pacific Bell working as an operator. She was promoted to splicer, construction manager, site supervisor, and finally engineer.

It was while working for Pacific Bell, Maureen met Frank. After discovering common interests, the two became inseparable. They spent their time playing on local softball and volleyball teams and traveling, often by motorcycle, all over the U.S. and Canada. They camped, hiked, and made many friends along the way. They rode across the country, Maureen on her 1952 Vincent Black Shad-

ow motorcycle and Frank on his 1974 Ducati 750, before getting married on Halloween of 1983 and starting their family. They had four children, Molly, Clare, Margaret, and Dan-

Motherhood came to Maureen with ease, she was meant to be a mom. She took pride in sewing Halloween costumes, spend-



ing many nights at her sewing machine creating works of art. In 2000, she retired and became more involved in her children's sports teams, serving as the athletic director at St. John's school in Healdsburg, Calif. She shared her love of volleyball, baseball, soccer, gardening, backyard bird watching and playing Pokémon with her cniiaren.

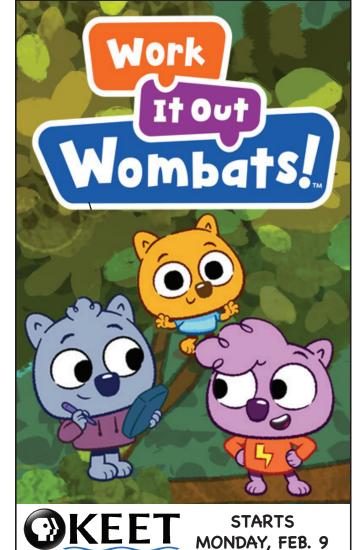
Maureen's home felt like home to many, and on any given day she had closer to six kids around the house. Everyone gathered in the kitchen, filled with the aroma of homecooked meals and baked treats always made from scratch. Her free spirit and quick wit drew people to her. Maureen knew how to have fun and her sense of humor was unlike any other. She loved music, you could hear her pulling up in her car before you could see her, embarrassing her kids, but bringing a smile all the same.

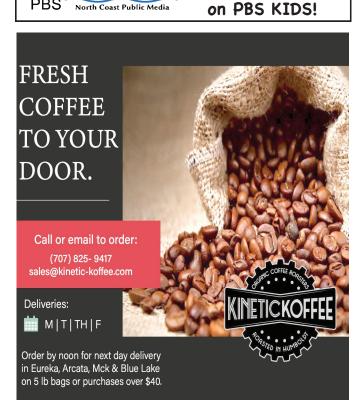
Maureen wasn't only a mother, sister, or wife, she was our best friend. Her friends and family will miss her bold presence, her willingness to tell it like it is, and her generous laugh. Maureen leaves a legacy of breaking barriers and seeking adventure, she had a fire in her soul that will never go out.

Maureen was predeceased by her parents and brother, Tim Finigan. She is survived by her husband, four children, six grandchildren, siblings, many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Services were held Saturday, Feb. 4 at 11 a.m. at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Healdsburg.











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WILDFLOWERS OF THE KLAMATH MOUN-**TAINS** The California Native Plant Society (CNPS) invites the public to "Wildflowers of the Klamath Mountains," Wednesday Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m., at Six Rivers Masonic Lodge, 251 Bayside Rd. Arcata. Or visit northcoastcnps.

org for a Zoom link to the presentation.Based on his book Wildflowers of California's Klamath Mountains, Ken DeCamp will present a personal look at the wildflowers of an area with granitic, metamorphic, limestone, and serpentine rock, and an attendant botanical diversity unparalleled anywhere else in California. De-

Camp is an acclaimed photographer and has great stories to share about his wildflower adventures. Refreshments at 7 p.m.; program at 7:30 p.m. CNPS hosts free public presentations on the second Wednesday of each month, September through May. (707) 822-2015, northcoastcnps.org

**BIRDING AT THE MARSH, WITH CHANCE OF OTTER SIGHTINGS** Join Redwood Region Audubon Society for a free guided field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 8:30 to 11 a.m. Bring your binoculars and meet trip leader Kath-

ryn Wendel at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata for easy-to-walk trails, a beautiful view of Humboldt Bay, a possible otter sighting, and a diverse range of overwintering birds, including ducks, shorebirds, herons and egrets, raptors and songbirds.

LEARN ABOUT THE ARCATA

MARSH Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) is sponsoring a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on Saturday, Feb. 11. Meet leader Sharon Levy at 2 p.m. in the lobby of the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute, rain-or-shine walk focusing on marsh history, wastewater treatment, birds,

and/or ecology. Masks are strongly recommended inside the building. For more information, call (707) 826-2359.

WOMEN AND GIRLS BIRDING TRIP Join Redwood Region Audubon Society trip leaders Susan Penn and Susan O'Connor on Sunday, Feb. 12, from 9 a.m. to noon for our monthly Women and Girls birding trip. This month, we'll adventure to the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge and Loleta area. Meet at the Susans at the Hookton Slough Unit where we'll start looking for grebes, ducks, pelicans, and shorebirds. We may see meadowlarks, swans, and surf scoters, too! From there we will drive towards Loleta, make a couple of stops to watch for raptors, and check ponds for freshwater-loving birds. We will circle back and end our day at the Hookton Slough Refuge. To get to the Hookton Slough Unit, take exit 696 off Highway 101. Northbound, turn left and go west over the overpass and take a right on Hookton Road. Follow the road about 1.2 miles and you will see the signed turn-off to the parking lot on your right. Southbound, go straight ahead from the off-ramp stop sign. Follow Hookton Road west about 1.2 miles, and take the signed turn-off down to the parking lot. Contact Susan Penn with questions susanpenn60@gmail.com.

### **BIRDING AT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**

Redwood Region Audubon Society will offer a free guided birding tour at Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge on Sunday, Feb. 12 from 9 to 11 a.m. Meet leader Ralph Bucher at the Visitor Center for this two-mile walk along a wide, flat trail that is packed gravel and easily accessible. Just outside of town, this refuge offers astounding and easy access to tidally-influenced habitats including mudflats, riparian vegetation, conifers, and a bay that hosts a variety of geese, raptors, shorebirds, and waders. Email Ralph to sign up at thebook@reninet.com.

## Two arrested after traumatic brain injury

ARCATA POLICE DEPT.

ARCATA – On Oct. 22, 2022, at approximately 1:40 a.m., a felony assault and battery resulting in great bodily injury occurred in the 600 block of 10th Street in Downtown Arcata.

One 28-year-old male and one 30-year-old male, both Arcata residents, were physically confronted by members of a larger group of males, as both parties left a downtown music venue.

A physical altercation ensued and both victims were punched and kicked by members of the opposite group after the victims went down during the fight.

One victim sustained a traumatic brain injury and underwent emergency surgery. The second victim suffered loss of consciousness as well as bruising and

On

swelling of the body, face, and head. Both victims survived the attack.

APD identified the individuals involved and developed two primary suspects as 21-year-old Fortuna resident Aldair Ramirez-Vera and 21-year-old Fortuna resident Emmanuel Herrera-Cortes.

On January 25, 2023, APD took Herrera-Cortes and Ramirez-Vera into custody without incident. Both suspects were booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the following charges:

**Emanuel Herrera-Cortes:** 

- Felony Assault
- Aldair Ramirez-Vera:
- Felony Assault
- · Aggravated Battery Causing Serious Bodily Injury

# APD arrests EHS coach for alleged sexual assault

ARCATA POLICE DEPT. ARCATA/EUREKA

Jan.26, 2023, the Eureka Police rested 34-year-old Thomas Har-Department (EPD) notified the Arcata Police Department (APD) they had initiated an investigation into allegations of sexual assault involving a former Eureka High School (EHS) assistant wrestling coach, and a

now an adult. Because the criminal allegations took place in

female student who has

since graduated and is

the City of Arcata, APD took the lead on the investigation and continued information on this case, or any as-

to work collaboratively with EPD. On January 30, 2023, APD ar-

lan Gowing without incident. Gowing was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility for multiple violations of Penal Code Section 261.5(C)-Unlawful Sexual Intercourse with a Minor. **Thomas** 

Gowing has had no association with EHS since June 2022.

The Arcata Police Department encourages anyone with

sociated allegations against Gowing, to contact the Arcata Police Department's Investigations Unit, at (707) 822-2424.

APD would like to remind community members that have experienced, or are currently experiencing sexual abuse, there are advocacy services and resources available to assist (24/7) through our local and national partners, such as the North Coast Rape Crisis Team (707-445-2881), and the National Sexual Assault Hotline (1-(800)-656-4673).

APD thanks the Eureka Police Department, Eureka High School, and the North Coast Rape Crisis Team for their assistance in this matter.



EVERYDAY HOUSEHOLD ITEMS? Rifles, brass knuckles, ammo and a scale were among the items seized.

## HCDTF serves Hoopa warrant, harvests drugs, weapons, vehicles



**Erik McKinnon** 

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE HOOPA - On Wednesday, Feb. 1 agents with the Humboldt County Drug Task Force served a search warrant on Marshal Lane in Hoopa.

During the service of the warrant, 11 subjects were located on the property, including 39-yearold Erik McKinnon of Hoopa.

During a search of the property, agents located approximately 12 grams of suspected heroin, firearms, ammunition, 47 Suboxone strips, digital scale, metal knuckles and three stolen vehicles.

McKinnon was subsequently arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance for

sale, maintaining a residence for narcotics use, possession of narcotics while armed, possession of controlled substances, felon in possession of firearms, felon in possession of ammunition and possession of a stolen vehicle.

All other subjects were released on scene.

# One of two stabbing suspects arrested

**Gage James** 

Sand

Natalie

Arroyo

Harlan

Gowing

ARCATA POLICE DEPT.

ARCATA - On Saturday, Jan. 28,

stabbing occurred in the 1000 block of G Street in Downtown Arcata.

Two 16-year-old Eureka residents sustained knife wounds during a physical altercation with two adults, as both parties left a downtown music venue.

The victims survived the attack and were treated at a local hospital for lacerations and a broken jaw.

Bohn

The stabbing suspect was identified as 20-year-old Loleta resi-

and stunned silence among some audi-

ence members who heard the comment,

event, which was the Eureka Chamber

of Commerce's annual fundraiser and

member awards gala three nights be-

Arroyo and Roberts didn't name the

and a few laughed uncomfortably."

dent Gage James Sand.

On Monday, Jan. 30, 2023, APD 2023, at approximately 11:45 p.m., a took Sand into custody without inci-

dent, and he was booked into the Humboldt County Correctional Facility on the

- following charges: · Assault with a Deadly Weapon.
- Aggravated Battery. · Inflicting Injury on a
- · Committing a Felony While out on Bail.

A second suspect wanted for aggravated battery remains at large pending

identification.

## **Creepy green** car's driver follows McK girl

**HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE** 

McKINLEYVILLE - On Sunday, Jan. 29 at about 3:50 p.m., Humboldt County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to a residence on Nelson Way in McKinleyville for the report of a suspicious circumstance involving a

The residents told deputies that their juvenile daughter was walking on Nelson Way when a man reportedly drove up in a green-colored vehicle, parked and exited the vehicle, and then began to follow the girl. The girl reportedly began screaming and ran away.

Deputies were unable to locate the man or the vehicle in the area. However, through follow up investigation deputies have identified a possibly involved person, and that person has been contacted and questioned.

This incident remains under investigation. Anyone with information about this incident or similar circumstances is asked to contact the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office at (707) 445-7251.

Community members are encouraged to talk to their children about practicing safe behaviors and preventing abduction. Learn how you can talk to your children about safety and download helpful resources at missingkids.org/education/kidsmartz.



TOOLS OF THE TRADE Scales, drugs, body armor, a shotgun a pistol – what could possibly go wrong?

## Still more Hoopa hoopla

HUMBOLDT COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE

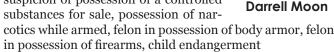
HOOPA - On Wednesday, Feb 1 the Humboldt County Drug Task Force served a search warrant on Moon Lane in Hoopa for suspected narcotics.

vice, agents located 37-year-old Darrell Moon, 29-year-old Ernestine Trimble, and a two-year -old juvenile on scene. During a search of the residence, agents located approximately 25 grams

At the time of the search warrant ser-

of suspected fentanyl, a digital scale, ammunition, body armor and two firearms. Moon was subsequently arrest on

suspicion of possession of a controlled substances for sale, possession of nar-



At the conclusion of the investigation the juvenile was released into the custody of a safe caregiver.



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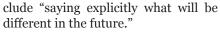
The comment goes beyond being politically incorrect, as it was directed at an individual at an audience event.

"How can Mr. Bohn have taken this as an opportunity to demean one of the event's donors," Roberts wrote.

She called Bohn's comment a showing of "causal public and sexist contempt," "a classic expression of hostile sexism" and his "most recent nasty little joke that's only part of a pattern that simply must stop.'

Arroyo said a number of people have contacted her about it and it's a "quite egregious" trespass that needs to be reckoned with. "A comprehensive response is warranted toward prevention," she continued.

She said a simple apology isn't sufficient and an effective one should in-



Arroyo suggested that the matter will soon come before the board as an agenda item. "We're gonna have to wrestle with how to handle this in the near future," she said.

Bohn's brash style has gotten him in trouble before. In 2019, he was overheard asking the donor of a Mexican meal if its authenticity would provoke

is considered racist.

an urge to "steal hubcaps." Board Chair Steve Madrone recalled the criticism he got two years ago for using the term Oriental, which

But Madrone's apology for it was in-depth, explaining why the use of the term is offensive and describing his use of it as a sign of ignorance. He reflected on the experience.

"I needed to do better," said Madrone. "But actually, an apology is just a first step because then, ultimately, I have to really embrace the change in my behavior that is necessary."

He added, "If I just apologize, I don't embrace that change and I'll probably keep doing it over and over again - so it's about seeking help, we all need help to be able to change."

Supervisor Mike Wilson thanked Arroyo for her "courage" in flagging Bohn's behavior.

Bohn didn't respond and joined a unanimous vote in support of the "organizational culture county's change" program.

# Don't stack plywood on the furnace, folks

ARCATA FIRE DISTRICT

ARCATA - On Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 8:34 a.m., units from the Arcata Fire District, Humboldt Bay Fire, Blue Lake Fire and Westhaven Fire were dispatched to a reported residential structure fire on the 1700 block of Iverson Avenue in Arcata.

The first arriving fire engine company reported moderate smoke coming from the crawl space under the house. As they made entry into the structure, they found the residence full of smoke, with fire around a floor furnace. Additional units arrived and crews simultaneously attacked the fire and searched the

structure. No occupants were in the structure at the time, as it was under renovation.

Firefighters had the fire controlled in 15 minutes. Crews then accessed concealed locations within the floorspace and under the house to extinguish remaining hot spots.

Damage to the residence was limited primarily to the living room area and hallway with damage estimated at \$10,000. Fire personnel conducted an origin and cause investigation and determined that the fire was accidental and caused by plywood being stacked on top of the floor furnace that was believed to be shut off.

Arcata Fire District wants to remind the public that floor furnaces are not turned to the "Off" position simply by turning the thermostat to the lowest temperature setting. Often people believe that the floor furnace is "off" when it is set to its lowest temperature. When the ambient temperature around the thermostat drops below the set temperature, the floor furnace will come on. Also, the AFD wants the public to know that combustibles should never be placed on or immediately adjacent to floor furnace grates.

There were no injuries to civilians, fire personnel, or pets.

# A weekend of storytelling at EXIT Theatre

MAD RIVER UNION ARCATA PLAZA – The EXIT Theater presents a weekend of original stories and music the weekend of Feb. 17 to Feb. 19.

Friday and Saturday's shows start at 7:30 p.m. and there's a Sunday matinee at 3 p.m. which will benefit the Breast and GYN Health Project.

The EXIT theater is located on the Arcata Plaza, upstairs at 890 G St. Admission is \$10, cash at the door, or by calling (415) 203-2513 or at *theexit.org*.

The writers/storytellers are Paul Bressoud, Larry Crist, Michael Crowley, Janine Volkmar and Jeff and Paul DeMark. The DeMark brothers will also provide transitional music between stories.

Janine Volkmar said she was sent one summer by the state of Hawaii to tell stories at libraries on every one of the Hawaiian Islands. She is a regular contributing writer to the Mad River Union.

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eighth child out of 10 from an Irish Catholic family of storytellers. Crowley developed a sharp wit to compete. Here's a chance to hear his wit and talent in action.

Paul Bressoud is a semi-retired teacher, writer and grandfather living the municipal dream in Ar-

Paul DeMark has played drums for decades in Humboldt County. has played with numerous bands including the Delta Nationals, The Handshakers, No Damage and Caledonia. He also worked for years as a writer and editor of local weekly newspapers.

Poet, actor and short story writer Larry Crist has published two collections of poems/stories his latest being "Alibi for the Scapegoat," available at the shows. Crist was part of the literary scene in Seattle for many years and now lives, writes and takes care of his mom in Trinidad.

Jeff DeMark is a writ-Michael Crowley is the er and musician who has



ORIGINAL STORIES Front row from left, Janine Volkmar and Jeff DeMark. Back row, Larry Crist, Michael Crowley, Paul DeMark and Paul Bressoud.

written five full-length monologue/storytelling shows, which debuted at Dell'Arte's Mad River festival and he toured them widely. More recently he has concentrated on en-

PHOTO BY SALLY L'HEROGAN semble shows, co-producing numerous sold-out thematic story and music events with musician Rick Levin at Dell'Arte, the Arcata Playhouse and the Old Steeple.

ARMACK VALENTUNES Looking for the A VALENTINE'S EVENING WITH BLUE RHYTHM REVUE The Trinidad Civic Club and Chamber of Commerce are co-hosting, "A Valentine's

> Evening with Blue Rhythm Revue" on Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the Trinidad Town Hall from 6 to 10 p.m. Dine and dance with loved ones and friends. Admission is \$35 each or \$65 for two. After Feb. 10 and at the door admission is \$40 for one or \$75 for two. Reservations can be made at trinidadcivicclub.org. Brett Shuler Fine Catering creates hearty appetizers and the Civic Club offers lovely desserts. The no-host wine and beer bar will have a fine selection of libations. A raffle, silent auction and art show provide opportunities to support both non-profits while listening to "Songs of Love," curated by the Civic Club. Blue Rhythm Revue's vocalist, Samantha Day, has an impressive range, unique style and energetic delivery. The band's talented musicians play rock & roll, funk, jazz & blues. You'll be out of your seat, on your feet and moving to the beat from 8 to 10 p.m.! For information call (707) 677-3655.

## Anti-Valentine Cabaret at Redwood Curtain Theatre

REDWOOD CURTAIN THEATRE EUREKA – With St. Valentine's Day just around the corner, one sees hearts and love-themed merchandise popping up at stores around town. If you're looking for something different to do with your valentine this year, or if the idea of celebrating love turns your stomach a bit, Redwood Curtain Theatre brings you the Anti-Valentine Cab-

The show performs one night only – Saturday, Feb. 11 – and the starts promptly at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at redwoodcurtain.com or at the door. We do recommend you make reservations as we expect the event to sell out. There will be beverages and desserts available for purchase including a specialty drink available with or without alcohol. Redwood Cur-

tain Theatre is located at 220 First St., Eureka.

This year, we are eschewing the sappy love songs and lovey-dovey proclamations so frequently associated with the holiday. Instead we present a cabaret celebration of break-ups, farewells and can't-getrid-of-you-fast-enoughs.

Show coordinator and performer Chris Jioras provides more details of the night's entertainment. "Although the evening includes some ballads, none are songs of destitution and being lost without the other person. Generally numbers are funny reassurances that the breakup served a purpose and the singer is really better off without the other person, thank-you-very-much!"

Songs come from across the time spectrum of musical theatre, ranging from cannon classics like South Pacific, The Music Man and My

The Anti-Valentine evening features the musical performing talents of Redwood Curtain favorites including Craig Benson, Alexandra Blouin, Jordyn Dobbins, Christina Jioras, Jo Kuzelka, David Powell and Molly Severdia. In addition, a trio of musicians back up the vocals, these performers include Ben Aldag (drums), Matt Jioras (bass) and Justin Ross (piano).

Fair Lady to more recent shows including Hamilton, Mean Girls and Tick, Tick, Boom. You don't need to know any of the shows to enjoy and appreciate the stories told by the songs. Jioras assures audiences, "the beauty of musical theater numbers is that they are constructed as part of telling a story. People can be transported into multiple stories, just coming to the cabaret."

## Showing love for authors on Valentine's Day at Cal Poly Humboldt

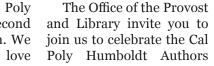
CAL POLY HUMBOLDT CAL POLY - On Valentines Day, Feb. 14 Cal Poly Humboldt celebrates

Humboldt Authors Cel- readers! ebration at the Cal Poly Humboldt Library, second floor, from 3 to 4 p.m. We the Ninth Annual Cal Poly love authors and we love

FIBER ARTS SPONSORSHIP Creekside Arts, a Dream-Maker Program of The Ink People Center for the Arts, announces the availability of a \$2,500 sponsorship for a Fiber Artist to attend their Spring 2023 Residency Program. The sponsorship will support the full residency fee for one fiber artist or half the residency for two. The Libby Palmquist Fiber Arts Spon-



sorship is the generous gift of Andy Cranfill in honor of his late wife Elizabeth Ann (Libby) Palmquist, right. Libby was a passionate Humboldt County fiber artist who loved working with repurposed textiles and fabrics. For many years Andy and Libby lived together on the land that is now part of Creekside Arts. For more information or to apply to the Spring 2023 Residency Program go to creeksidearts.org/ residency. Photo by Andy Cranfill



and Library invite you to join us to celebrate the Cal Poly Humboldt Authors who have published works in 2022, including over 600 authored works published by The Press at Cal Poly Humboldt. We will also enjoy cake, sparkling cider, and trivia plus an opportunity to win the Staff Council Cookbook 2020-

Hear from guest author and alumna Meg Godlewski, Cal Poly Humboldt class of 1987. Meg has been practicing the craft of journalism since her undergrad days beginning at KHSU when she broke the news of the Challenger explosion to Humboldt County. Enamored with aviation since childhood, her goal was to find a career that combined

both aviation and journalism. Meg spent 10 years as a broadcast journalist while she learned to fly. She then spent 15 years as a reporter at General Aviation News, a national publication, while she earned her pilot certificates through multi engine instructor rating. Today, she is the Technical Editor of the internationally known FLYING Magazine and specializes in simulation instruction helping aspiring aviators to acquire the skills they need to be safe in the skies.

Hear about The Press at Cal Poly Humboldt and our goal to provide opportunities for every student to publish before they graduate. All authors are welcome to share about their works during the open mic following the event.

authors.humboldt.edu

STICK MEN Stick Men will perform Friday, Feb. 10 at the Arcata Playhouse at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata. Stick Men, featuring Tony Levin and Pat Mastelotto, the powerhouse bass and drums of the group King Crimson for several decades, bring that tradition to all their playing. Expect some hard-driving prog- and alt-rock from this incredible power trio. Levin plays the Chapman Stick, from which the band takes its name. Having bass and guitar strings, the Chapman Stick functions at times like two instruments. Markus Reuter plays his self-designed touch-style guitar - again covering much more ground than a guitar or a bass. Doors open at 7 p.m, show starts at 8. All ages. Tickets are \$30 in advance. For more information, call (707) 822-1575 or visit arcataplayhouse.

RICHARD'S GOAT Bitchin' Bajas will perform Friday, Feb. 10 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. Bitchin' Bajas is a side-project of Cooper Crain (guitarist/organist of the band Cave), with Dan Quinlivan and Rob Frye. Their new album Bajascillators arrives almost five years since their last official full-length album. With local openers Winter band and Drip Torch. Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$15 in advance by visiting richardsgoat.com, or \$20 at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

THE LOGGER Bump Foundation will perform Friday, Feb. 10 at the Logger at 510 Railroad Ave. in Blue Lake. Homegrown Humboldt County funk, soul and jazz originals and classics, grounded by a driving rhythm section and lifted by in the slot horns, organ, and soulful vocals. The show starts at 8 p.m. 21 and over. For more information, call (707) 668-5000 or visit loggerbar.com/events.

MARGO PRICE will perform Thursday, Nov. 10 at the Van Duzer Theatre at Cal Poly Humboldt. Margo Price has something to say but nothing to prove. In just three remarkable solo albums, the singer and songwriter has cemented herself as a force in American music and a generational talent. Moving from the sparse folk of her 2016 debut, Midwest Farmer's Daughter, into the rollicking roots of its follow-up, All American Made the following year, and in 2020, into classic rock with Rumors, Price has established herself as a sonic explorer of the finest ilk. All ages. Doors open at 7 p.m., show begins at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$40 general. For more information, call (707) 826-3928 or visit centerarts.humboldt.edu.

ARCATA THEATRE LOUNGE Balkan Bump will perform Saturday, Feb. 11 at the Arcata Theatre Lounge at 1036 G St. in Arcata. Balkan Bump is the newest project from trumpet player, producer and ethnomusicologist Will Magid. Musically, Balkan Bump is a fusion of live instruments, world influences and lush electronic production. His releases flaunt experience as an instrumentalist and arranger, fusing energetic Balkan brass with heavy electronic production and hip-hop influences. Doors open at 9 p.m., show starts at 9:30 p.m. 18 and over. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the door or by visiting arcatatheatrelounge.com. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

## **ARCATA PLAYHOUSE** Alice Di Micele will

perform Saturday, Feb. 11 at the Arcata Playhouse at 1251 Ninth St. in Arcata. Alice Di Micele is an Americana/folk singer-songwriter based in Southern Oregon. Her voice is rangy, sometimes soft and intimate, other times bold and brassy, evoking a distinct mood in every song she sings. Her new album, Every Seed We Plant, is her 16th release, a snap-



Alice Di Micele

shot of life in these times – gut-wrenching, hopeful, vulnerable, intense. Doors open at 7 p.m, show starts at 8. All Ages. Tickets are \$20 in advance. For more information, call (707) 822-1575 or visit arcataplayhouse.org.

RICHARD'S GOAT Hudson Glover will perform Monday, Feb. 13 at Richard's Goat at 401 I St. in Arcata. Get ready to get your weird on a Monday night, with Hudson Glover ("queer psychedelic space music for aliens"), Pregnant ("the musical predilection of Daniel Trudeau" and friends, involving synth, bass, and drums) and Chini (come find out). Doors open at 8 p.m., show starts at 9 p.m. 21 and over. Tickets are \$15 in advance by visiting richardsgoat.com, or \$20 at the door. For more information, call (707) 630-5000.

**COMING UP** Jon McLaughlin will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. Hot Buttered Rum will perform at the Humboldt Brewery on Saturday, Feb. 18 at 9 p.m. Thee Sacred Souls will perform at the Kate Buchanan Room at Cal Poly Humboldt on Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m.

A NIGHT OF COMMEDIA Dell'Arte International School of Physical Theatre's Professional Training Program ensemble presents A Night of Commedia, a contemporary interpretation of the classic semi-improvised Italian masked comedy on Thursday, Feb. 9; Friday, Feb. 10; and Saturday, Feb. 11. Shows start at 8 p.m. at 131 H St. in Blue Lake. Advanced tickets are \$10 or you can pay what you can at the door.

# Wander the streets of downtown during Arcata Arts! Friday night

ARCATA MAIN STREET

are the participating venues:

• Arcata Artisans, 883 H St. – New at 8 p.m.. willow bark and copper work by Zak Shea and hearts, hoops, and Dia de Los Muertos creations by silversmith Gilbert Castro. Open until 8 p.m. for Arts! Arcata.

ARCATA - Celebrate the visual and - Hard driving prog and alt rock rom inperforming arts in Downtown Arcata credible power trio Stick Men featuring during Arts! Arcata Friday, Feb. 10. Below bass and drums of Tony Levin, Pat Mastelotto, and Marcus Reuter. Show begins

> • EXIT Theatre, 890 G St., upstairs – Open House with snacks and drinks featuring smooth jazz by saxophone artist Stan Fleming Jr. from 6 to 8 p.m. DIVA

• Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St. Burlesque Arcata is at 8 p.m., the monthly show of local burlesque performers curated by Spooky Spice!

> • Jay Brown Art & Design, 791 Eighth St. - Recent representational works on paper including a new series Hammertime; a Rock on a Stick: a handyman's celebration of the hammer in its many forms. Visit with the artist in a true "Open Studio" setting.

• Plaza Grill, 791 Eighth St. - Now open Tuesday to Saturday from 4 to 8 p.m. Jennifer Liu, oil on canvas, Plein air local scenes, flowers and folks.

• The Thing, 833 H St. - Open Mic each 2nd Friday evening. Come dance, sing, play and enjoy!

· Umpqua Bank Upstairs Gallery, 1063 G St. – Continuing show of wood art by Zak Shea.

## LEGAL NOTICES

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 23-00069 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SERVICEMASTER BY CRONIC EUREKA, SERVICE MASTER BY CRONIC, SERVICEMASTER RESTORATION SERVICES, SERVICEMASTER RECOVERY MANAGEMENT 1010 7TH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 5451 INDUSTRIAL WAY BENICIA, CA 94510 **COUNTY OF** HUMBOLDT SHARJO, LLC

CA 1509470 5451 INDUSTRIAL WAY BENICIA, CA 94510 This business is conduct-ed by: A LIMITED S/CHARLES HOAGE NICE PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 31, 2023 KELLY E. SANDERS JC DEPUTY CLERK

2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1 **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

23-00056 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: JAMWAĞON GYROS 1842 HOLLY DRIVE MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

MCKINLEYVILLE, CA 95519 This business is conduct-ed by: AN INDIVIDUAL S/JÁMES HUNZIKER

JAMES G. HUNTZIKER

**1842 HOLLY DRIVE** 

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 26, 2023 KELLY E. SANDERS SC DEPUTY CLERK

2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22 **FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** 

NAME STATEMENT 23-00048 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: FRIENDS OF SOUND 335 E ST. EUREKA , CA 95501 COUNTY OF **HUMBOLDT** BACKSPIN RECORDS. INC. TEXAS 800611369

1704 S. CONGRESS AVE. AUSTIN, TX 78704 This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION S/DAVID HAFFNER

**IPRESIDENT** This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 20, 2023 KELLY E. SANDERS

SC DEPUTY CLERK 2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT 23-00042

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MOUNTAIN BIKE TRIBAL TRAIL ALLIANCE **2503 MCKINLEYVILLE** MCKINLEYVILLE, CA

95519 **COUNTY OF** HUMBOI DT SHAUN R. FYFE 2503 MCKINLEYVILLE AVE. MCKINLEYVILLE, CA

95519 This business is conducted by: An individual S/SHAUN R. FYFE OWNER

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN. 20, 2023 KELLY E. SANDERS SC DEPUTY CLERK 1/25, 2/1, 2/8, 2/15

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS** NAME STATEMENT

23-00020 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: BELL & HOOK 863 H STREET **ARCATA, CA 95521** 808 G STREET ARCATA, CA 95521 **COUNTY OF** HUMBOLDT PLAZA HOME INC CA C3455835

**ARCATA, CA 95521** This business is conducted by: A CORPORATION S/NATALIE WALSTON PRESIDENT

This statement was filed with the Humboldt County Clerk on JAN, 11, 2023 KELLY F SANDERS JC DEPUTY CLERK 1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-

TATE OF TERI LYNN FISH, AKA ANGEL LYNN DORRELL. AKA ANGEL LYNN FISH. AKA TERILYNN DOR-RELL

CASE NO.: PR2300010

creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of:

To all heirs, beneficiaries,

TERI LYNN FISH. AKA ANGEL LYNN DORRELL. AKA ANGEL LYNN FISH. AKA TERILYNN DOR-

RELL A Petition for Probate has been filed by JASMINE DORRELL in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT.

The Petition for Probate requests that: JASMINE DORRELL be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the au-

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

Date: FEB. 16, 2023 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 3 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA,

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If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court

before the hearing. Your

appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code. or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want

California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. SOLEN CASHMAN GALE & NIFLSEN

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ney knowledgeable in

2850 HARRIS ST. EUREKA, CA 95503 (707) 269-0167 1/25, 2/1, 2/8

CITATION FOR **PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND** INSTITUTIONS CODE **SECTION 294** 

Case Name: Baby Boy Humboldt11292022

Providence - St. Joseph

Case No. JV2200212 1. To unknown alleged mother & unknown alleged father & any persons claiming to be mother or father and anyone claiming to be a parent of Baby Boy Humboldt11292022 ING. born on 11/28/2022 at

Hospital, Eureka, CA. 2. A hearing will be held on 5/10/2023 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA

95501, Juvenile Division, 2nd floor. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services' main phone line at (707) 445-6180.

3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be terminated.

5. You have the right to be present at the hearing, to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attornev. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for

6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the

order may be final. 7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present. ATTORNEY FOR:

CHILD WELFARE SER-SCOTT A. MILES, IN-TERIM COUNTY COUN-

SEL #262695 KATIE BACA, DEPU-TY COUNTY COUNSEL

#188031 825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501 (707) 445-7236 DATE: JANUARY 19

2023 Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy

2/1, 2/8, 2/15, 2/22 **NOTICE OF PETITION** TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF

**DEANNA DORIS DEUEL** LESKU CASE NO.: PR2300012 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent cred-

itors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of

**DEANNA DORIS DEUEL** LESKU A Petition for Probate

has been filed by ERIKA LYNN LESKU in the Superior Court of California, County of HUMBOLDT The Petition for Probate

requests that: ERIKA LYNN LESKU be appointed as personal representative to administer the

estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the au-

thority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as

follows: Date: FEB. 23, 2023 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 3 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA, 95501

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California law.

court clerk. STEPHEN G WATSON LAW OFFICE OF W.G. WATSON, JR. 715 I ST PO BOX 1021

EUREKA, CA 95502 (707) 444-3071 2/1, 2/8, 2/15

SUMMONS (CITACION JUDICAL) CASE NUMBER: CV2201511 NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: Jordan Pyhtila, and DOES 1-50 YOU ARE BEING SUED BY PLAINTIFF (LO ESTÁ DEMAN-DANDO EL DEMANDANTE): L & M Renner, Inc. dba Renner Petroleum; Valley Pacific Petroleum

Services Inc NOTICE! You have been sued. The court may decide against you without your being heard unless you respond within 30 days. Read the

information below. You have 30 CALENDAR DAYS after this summons and legal papers are served on you to file a written response at this court and have a copy served on the plaintiff. A letter or phone call will not protect you. Your written response must be in proper legal form if you want the court to hear your case. There may be a court form that you can use for your response. You can find these court forms and more information at the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www.courtinfo.ca.gov/ selfhelp), your county law library, or the courthouse nearest you. If you cannot pay the filing fee, ask the court clerk for a fee waiver form.

If you do not file your response on

time, you may lose the case by de-

fault, and your wages, money, and property may be taken without further warning from the court. There are other legal requirements. You may want to call an attorney right away. If you do not know an attorney, you may want to call an attorney referral service. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may be eligible for free legal services from a nonprofit legal services program. You can locate these nonprofit groups at the California Legal Services Web site (www.lawhelpcalifornia.org), the California Courts Online Self-Help Center (www. courtinfo.ca.gov/selfhelp), or by contacting your local court or county bar association. NOTE: The court has a statutory lien for waived fees and costs on any settlement or arbitration award of \$10,000 or more in a civil case. The court's lien must be paid before the court will dismiss the case. ¡AVISO! Lo han demandado.

Si no responde dentro de 30 días, la corte puede decidir en su contra sin escuchar su versión. Lea la información a continuación Tiene 30 DÍAS DE CALENDARIO después de que le entreguen esta citación y papeles legales para presentar una respuesta por escrito en esta corte y hacer que se entregue una copia al demandante. Una carta o una llamada telefónica no lo protegen. Su respuesta por escrito tiene que estar en formato legal correcto si desea que procesen su caso en la corte. Es posible que haya un formulario que usted pueda usar para su respuesta. Puede encontrar estos formularios de la corte v más información en el Centro de Ayuda de las Cortes de California (www. sucorte.ca.gov), en la biblioteca de

leves de su condado o en la corte

que le quede más cerca. Si no

puede pagar la cuota de present-

que le dé un formulario de exención de pago de cuotas. Si no presenta su respuesta a tiempo, puede perder el caso por incumplimiento y la corte le podrá quitar su sueldo, dinero y bienes sin más advertencia. Hay otros requisitos legales. Es recomendable que llame a un abogado inmediatamente. Si no conoce a un abogado, puede llamar a un servicio de remisión a abogados. Si no puede pagar a un abogado, es posible que cumpla con los requisitos para obtener servicios legales gratuitos de un programa de servicios legales sin fines de lucro. Puede encontrar estos grupos

ación, pida al secretario de la corte

sin fines de lucro en el sitio web de California Legal Services, (www. lawhelpcalifornia.org), en el Centro de Avuda de las Cortes de California, (www.sucorte.ca.gov) o poniéndose en contacto con la corte o el colegio de abogados locales. AVI-SO: Por ley, la corte tiene derecho a reclamar las cuotas y los costos exentos por imponer un gravamen sobre cualquier recuperación de \$10.000 ó más de valor recibida mediante un acuerdo o una concesión de arbitraje en un caso de derecho

de la corte antes de que la corte pueda desechar el caso. The name and address of the court is ((El nombre y dirección de la corte es):

Humboldt County Superior Court

civil. Tiene que pagar el gravamen

825 Fifth St Eureka, CA 95501 The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an

attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado,

**GUBLER & ABBOTT** 1110 N. Chinowth Street Visalia. CA 93291 Kim M. Bartleson, Clerk, by David V., Deputy Date: Oct. 7. 2022

2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1 **ORDER TO SHOW** CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME SHEA ELIZABETH STOVALL SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF HUM-**BOLDT

**CASE NO. CV2300017** TO ALL INTERESTED PFRSONS: 1. Petitioner has filed a petition with this court for a decree changing

Present name: SHEA **ELIZABETH STOVALL** to Proposed name: SHEA ELIZABETH SI-

names as follows:

MAS 2 THE COURT OR-DERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court, located at 825 5th Street, Eureka, California, at

the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the application should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If no written objection is timely filed, the court

may grant the petition without a hearing. Date: FEB. 17, 2023 Time: 1:45 p.m.

Dept.: 4 For information on how to appear remotely for your hearing, please visit https://www.humboldt.

courts.ca.gov/. 3. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once a week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Mad River

Union. Date: JAN. 6. 2023 TIMOTHY A. CANNING Judge of the Superior

1/18, 1/25, 2/1, 2/8

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ES-TATE OF SONJA KATRINA DAHL-BACKA, aka SONJA BEEBE

CASE NO.: PR2200314 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interest-

ed in the will or estate, or both, of: SONJA KATRINA DAHL-BACKA, aka SONJA

BEEBE A Petition for Probate has been filed by MOR-GAN BEEBE in the Superior Court of California.

County of HUMBOLDT. The Petition for Probate requests that: MORGAN BEEBE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent

The petition requests the decedents will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take any actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court

thority A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows:

should not grant the au-

Date: March 9, 2023 Time: 1:31 PM

Dept.: 3 Address of court: Superior Court of California, County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA,

95501 MAY BF COURT CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DUE TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC. PLEASE VISIT https://www.humboldt.courts.ca.gov FOR INFORMATION ON HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE VIDEO HEAR-

ING If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your

appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code. or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attor-

ney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. ARTHUR NIFLSEN **GALE & NIELSEN** 

2/8, 2/15, 2/22 CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE ADOPTION OF

**ORDINANCE NO. 1559** 

2850 HARRIS ST

(707) 269-0167

EUREKA, CA 95503

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on January 18, 2023, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1559. summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending Article 3, Short-Stay Vacation Rentals, Chapter 2, Title VI of the Arcata Municipal

Code, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1559 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on February 1, 2023, by the following voice vote: AYES: Schaefer, Matthews, Atkins-Sala-Stillman, White zar. NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS: None.

APPROVED. Sarah Schaefer, Mayor, City of Arcata

ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of

Ordinance No. 1559 This ordinance amends the Short-Stay Vacation Rental program by excluding hotels, motels and bed and breakfast businesses from the regulations; adding an exemption from the cap on permits for Historic Landmark properties; eliminating the exemption from the cap for long-term tenancy; removing the requirement for posting of emergency contact information; removing the requirement for building inspections; and inserting clarifying language on the roles and responsibilities

for the program. The full text of Ordinance No. 1559 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect March 3, 2023, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA. Dated: Feb-

ruary 1, 2023. Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata

> CITY OF ARCATA LEGAL NOTICE **ADOPTION OF**

**ORDINANCE NO. 1563** 

I hereby certify that at a regular meeting held on January 18, 2023, the Arcata City Council introduced Ordinance No. 1563, summarized below, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Arcata Amending the Arcata Municipal Code, Title VIII, Building Regulations, to Adopt Chapter 5. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations Permit Streamlining, at which time the reading in full thereof was unanimously waived and approval granted for reading the ordinance by title only. Ordinance No. 1563 was passed and adopted at a regular City Council meeting held on February 1, 2023, by the following voice vote: AYES: Schaefer. Matthews. Atkins-Sala-Stillman, White. zar NOES: None. ABSENT: None. ABSTENTIONS:

None. APPROVED. Sarah Schaefer, Mayor, City of Arcata

ATTEST: Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata Summary of

Ordinance No. 1563 This ordinance provides an expedited, streamlined Building Permit process for electric vehicle

charging stations. The full text of Ordinance No. 1563 is available for public inspection at the office of the City Clerk, Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street, Arcata, California, Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The ordinance will take effect March 3, 2023, BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ARCATA. Dated: February 1, 2023.

Bridget Dory, City Clerk, City of Arcata

CITATION FOR PUBLICATION UNDER WELFARE AND INSTITUTIONS CODE

**SECTION 294** Case Name: Cecil Naugle, aka: Baby Boy Humboldt050322

Case No. JV2200090 1. To Torri Maguire and Roy Naugle and anyone claiming to be a parent of Cecil Naugle, aka: Baby Boy Humboldt050322 born on 5/3/2022 at Providence - St. Joseph Hospital, Eureka, CA.

2. A hearing will be held on 4/19/2023 at 8:30 a.m. in Dept. 7 located at Superior Court of California. County of Humboldt, 825 Fifth Street, Eureka, CA 95501. Juvenile Division. 2nd floor. For assistance with appearing virtually, please contact Child Welfare Services' main phone line at (707) 445-6180.

3. At the hearing the court will consider the recommendations of the social worker or probation officer.

4. The social worker or probation officer will recommend that your child be freed from your legal custody so that the child may be adopted. If the court follows the recommendation, all your parental rights to the child will be

terminated. 5. You have the right to be present at the hearing. to present evidence, and you have the right to be represented by an attorney. If you do not have an attorney and cannot afford to hire one, the court will appoint an attorney for

6. If the court terminates your parental rights, the order may be final.

7. The court will proceed with this hearing whether or not you are present. ATTORNEY FOR: CHILD WELFARE SER

**VICES** SCOTT A. MILES, IN-TERIM COUNTY COUN-SEL #262695

JOAN TURNER. DEP-UTY COUNTY COUNSEL #152986 825 FIFTH STREET EUREKA, CA 95501

DATE: FEBRUARY 2. 2023 Clerk, by Kim M. Bartleson, Deputy

(707) 445-7236

2/8, 2/15, 2/22, 3/1 **CITY OF ARCATA** NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) **ENGINEERING DESIGN** AND CONSTRUCTION

MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR PHASES TWO AND THREE OF THE PLUNKETT ROAD

WATERLINE RETROFIT PROJECT The City of Arcata is seeking a qualified consulting firm to provide engineering services for developing final Plans, Specifications and Estimates (PS&F) for Phase 2 of the Plunkett Road Waterline Retrofit Project, with the option to award a separate contract for Construction Management (Phase 3) at a later time. The City was awarded funding to complete the Project through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, administered by Cal OES. The selected consultant must adhere to both federal and state requirements related to the HMGP. Phase Two of the Project will involve preparing bid-ready construction PS&E at the 60%, 90% and 100% levels. Phase 2 also involves finalizing necessary geotechnical investigations and environmental permitting. Phase 3 of the Project will involve all aspects

An optional job walk will be held on February 23, 2023, at 2:00 p.m., beginning from Arcata City Hall, 736 F Street in Arcata.

of construction manage-

ment for the project.

Sealed proposals for this work will be received at the City Manager's Office, 736 F Street, Arcata. California, until 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 10, 2023. The proposals submitted in response to this RFP will be evaluated and used as a basis for selecting a consultant for this phase of the project, with the option to award additional project phases. The Request for Proposals Package for this work can be obtained on the City's website, www. cityofarcata.org under "Bids," on or after Febru-

ary 8, 2023. Direct Inquiries to: Danielle Allred, Contracts & Special Projects Manager

736 F Street, Arcata, CA 95521 dallred@cityofarcata.org

707-825-2101

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# Blue Rhythm Review and at A Valentine's Evening, rare Sea Star spotted

Patti Fleschne

Valentine's Evening with Blue Rhythm Revue, dancing and tasty appetizers and desserts is planned for Tuesday, Feb. 14 14 from 6 to 10 p.m. in Trinidad Town Hall.

The Brett Shuler Fine Catering menu will include artisan cheeses, olives, roasted nuts, breads and fresh and dried fruit, roasted beet salad with orange, pistachio, grilled focaccia with white bean spread and oven-dried tomato pesto, chicken and tofu skewers with Romesco sauce and butternut squash ravioli in white wine cream sauce with hazelnuts.

Popular blues, jazz, rock 'n' roll and funk band, Blue Rhythm Revue, featuring vocalist Samantha Day, will perform and

invite dancers to the floor from 8 to 10 p.m. There will be a no-host wine and beer bar, an art show, silent auction and raffle.

Admission is \$35 for individuals and \$65 for two if you reserve in advance before Feb. 10. Go to

trinidadcivicclub.org and reserve your place through ticketleap. After February 10 and at the door, admission is \$40 per person or \$75 for two.

In the best spirit of community service group cooperation, the Valentine's Day celebration is co-sponsored by the Trinidad Civic Club and the Greater Trinidad Chamber of Commerce. For information, call (707) 677-3655 or email tcc@trinidadcivicclub.

## **Sunflower Sea Star spotted**

Trinidad Coastal Land Trust's director and naturalist Michelle Kunst was tide pooling during the low tide of January's series of King Tides and she spotted an exciting and rare sight, the Sunflower Sea Star, also known as Pycnopodia helianthoides. The sea star was recently listed as critically endangered after it suffered a 98 percent population decline from Sea Star Wasting net



**RADIANT** The Sunflower Sea Star. ED BOWLBY, NOAA/OLYMPIC COAST NMS; NOAA/OAR/OFFICE OF Ocean Exploration

Syndrome back in 2013-2014. Michelle reported that they rarely have been seen since on the North Coast and none were spotted in December's statewide Sol-

stice Sea Star Search.

Michelle suggests that this was only one young individual but she regards it as hopeful. She encourages tide pool visitors to upload a photo to iNaturalist when Sunflower Sea Stars are observed.

The Trinidad Coastal Land Trust has a wide variety of stewardship and events planned for 2023. Keep up to date by visiting trinidadcoastallandtrust.org or call (707) 677-2501.

## Vintage photos requested

Mary Spinas Kline, co-curator of the Photography and Heritage Rooms at Trinidad Museum, is planning the next exhibit, which will feature photographs and stories about motor courts, lodging, souvenir shops and restaurants along the old Redwood Highway (now Clam Beach Road, Scenic Drive, Patrick's Point Drive and Big Lagoon) circa 1920s through 1970s. If you have family album photographs or postcards from this era, call (707) 677-3816, leave a message at (707) 677-3883 or email humboldtmary@ gmail.com.

Email Patti at baycity@sonic.

# Neither rodents nor birds, bats are way cool

ots of people like birds. They sing and flit about showing off beautifully colored feathers. Whether you know their name or not, they are beautiful and fascinating. They devour bugs and pollinate plants.

However, there is an over-looked and often feared winged creature that is more efficient at

bug eating. Also, over 300 plants rely on their pollination and seed dispersal.

Let's look at the under-appreciated bat. Most wild bird stores carry bat houses. So, I gleaned information from Merlin Tuttle's book titled America's Neighborhood Bats.

First, bats are *not* rodents. Taxonomically, they share similarities with lemurs and primates but belong to the Chiroptera family. The word means "handwing.'

Bats date back 50 million years. One quarter of all mammals are bats. Forty species inhabit North America. They navigate by eco-location plus they are NOT blind.

Bats are a major predator of night-flying insects, including mosquitos and crop pests. One bat can consume 600 insects per hour. The 20 million free-tailed bats of Texas's Bracken Cave devour a quarter of a million *pounds* of insects nightly.

Bananas, avocados, figs, dates and peaches ( even tequila) are a few products dependent on bats for their survival.

Many equate rabies with bats. In truth, less than half of 1 percent of bats contract rabies. They very rarely become aggressive. Instead, the disease kills them quickly.

I love this myth: "Bats attack people and want to tangle in their hair." My question is, "Why would any animal want to tangle in a human's hair?" In truth, the attack is usually a mosquito honing in for human blood! (Oh, in case you are curious... the U.S. has no vampire bats.) Bats swoop around us to snatch a mosquito

Education about these noctur-

nal critters will hopefully help us understand and appreciate them. Though you may

think bats are cool or cute or whatever, never handle a bat without wearing heavy gloves. Some cannot even pierce human skin with their teeth but never take chances. A "trapped" animal can bite (or make the at-

tempt) if threatened. Most local bat species are about 5 inches wing to wing. They

emit high frequency sounds that bounce off the prey to their sensitive ears. They can detect objects are

tiny as a hair. Though exceptionally small, they do not breed until the age of about 3 and have one offspring a season.

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Bacon-Ogden

They are the slowest repromammal ducing on earth. However, they may live for 30 years. Non-breeding bats of both sexes often live in "bachelor" groups.

It is known that bats roost in caves

but often are found in buildings (possibly under wood shingles). Often they have few alternatives. Just a side note here, there is a book named The Bat in My Pocket that is a great story. There are safe ways to eliminate or discourage bat activity in our homes. (Check out sources on Google.)

One way to keep bats from our attics or other places that are inconvenient, is to build and/ or install a bat house. There are several styles and sizes. Some accommodate smaller bachelor groups and larger boxes are often outfitted with an "attic" space for breeding bats. The nursery would be in the upper part of the box. In some wildlife areas, large "patio" style buildings are erected to house large numbers of bats.

All bat houses are constructed of rough wood, grooved or scratched up to create toe holds for the little critters. Narrow crevices are made so they may cling in warm places. Usually the hand-made boxes will provide about three-quarter inch spaces. It is important to hang the house to catch the warming sun. Here, in our foggy and cooler climate, a south or west facing box is best.

Many instructions suggest Eastern-facing boxes to catch the morning sun. Be sure to adjust the box direction if you only see the sun after noon. Even in our climate, a sun-facing box can be 80 degrees inside with our outside temperatures in the '60s! Bats can tolerate temperatures to about 120.



**POW!** Holy interspecies rivalry, Batman!

Boxes should be protected from the wind. Height placement is best from about 15 to 20 feet. Be sure occupants have "swoop" room under the box for landing approaches.

It may take years for your house to be occupied. Mine is still up and waiting after many years. I live in town, probably not the best habitat!

If providing housing for these little critters still sounds weird to you, just appreciate the job they do to eliminate many destructive insects from your yard.

Lastly, I'd like to relate this story to you: Many years ago, Strictly for the Birds was contacted to provide a dozen bat houses to some snooty vineyard for insect control.

If you like wine, raise a glass and toast bats for keeping those grapes from being eaten by bugs!



High School Men's Basketball team and Telios Church members joined the Hammond Volunteer Trail Stewards workday, Saturday, Feb. 4. The group bucked up a tree felled in the winter storms, and cleared brush and trash from the trail. Go Panthers and Telios! For more information or to be on the email list to receive invitations to the monthly events, contact Stacy Becker at sbecker@reninet. com or stacy.p.becker@gmail.com. The Trail Stewards are programs of the Humboldt Trails Council – learn more at humtrails.com. VIA STACY BECK-

ER | HAMMOND VOLUNTEER TRAIL STEWARD

## Sequoia Park Zoo talk on detection dogs

SEQUOIA PARK ZOO

EUREKA – The Sequoia Park Zoo Conservation Lecture Series continues on Wednesday, Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. as a hybrid event, offered both in-person and on Zoom. This month's speakers are presenting virtually, and the Zoo will host a watch party.

Jennifer Hartman and Heath Smith will share about working with scent detection dogs on wildlife conservation projects in their talk titled, "Working with Detection Dog Teams: A Wildlife Conservation Methodology."

The event begins with a Zoo update slideshow at 6:45 p.m. The lecture starts promptly at 7 p.m. Attendees are encouraged to ask the speaker questions after the presentation. The Conservation Lecture Series is sponsored by Papa & Barkley.

The Rogue Detection Teams is a conservation detection dog program based in Washington state, USA, with operations around the world. They advocate for adopting fetchobsessed dogs from shelters that might not otherwise be adopted into a home environment and then teach these dogs how to search for data from endangered species.

The rescue dogs work alongside their bounders (their name for canine handlers). Their work is non-invasive, which is also a winwin for wildlife by eliminating stressful handling or invasive procedures. In this way, Rogue Detection Teams is a resource for wildlife, shelter animals and researchers who require data on rare or cryptic species in the wild.

Heath is an instructor with Rogue Detection Teams and began working with detection dogs in 2001.

Jennifer is a field scientist with Rogue Detection Teams and has worked with detection dogs since 2009. They have traveled around the world with scent detection dogs to help answer pressing questions in the field of wildlife conservation.

The 2022-2023 Conservation Lecture Series will be held inperson and remotely through Zoom. This month's speakers are presenting virtually, and the Zoo will host a watch party.

The in-person watch party is located at the Sequoia Park Zoo's Flamingo Room at 3414 W St. in Eureka, Calif. Attendees can enter the Zoo through Gate C, located to the left of the main gate at the



W Street crosswalk. To attend virtually, a free, registered Zoom account is required.

The Zoom link is available the Zoo's website at SequoiaParkZoo.net and through the Zoo's social media.

Join the Zoom meeting at us02web.zoom.us/j/8250471956 o?pwd=a3NReVBHbTgwRXR3b EpXSjVzRjBwZz09

Meeting ID: 825 0471 9560 Passcode: 868429

Join Zoom Meeting by Phone: +16699006833,,82504719560 #,,,,\*868429# US (San Jose)

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## It's bird nesting season avoid vegetation removal

CITY OF ARCATA

ARCATA – The City of Arcata would like to remind the community that Humboldt Bay and its surrounding areas are home to a wide variety of bird species, so it is especially important to check for active nests before trimming or removing vegetation during this nesting season.

The federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act and the California Migratory Bird Protection Act make it illegal to pursue, hunt, capture, kill or transport any migratory bird or the parts, nests or eggs of such a bird, except under the terms of a valid federal permit. Contractors are advised to have a qualified biologist conduct nesting bird surveys prior to beginning any project that requires vegetation removal. Here are some helpful guidelines that all members of the community can follow when maintaining vegetation:

• Early bird nesting season starts in February and continues into mid-April. During this time, hummingbirds and birds of prey including hawks, owls, kites, eagles, vultures and falcons begin to nest. Primary nesting season for most birds starts in April and continues through August. Disturbances to vegetation, especially trees, should be avoided unless there is a thorough check for these nesting birds prior to beginning work. Weeding and mowing

lawns are acceptable activities during this time.

• The best time to plan for tree removal and other vegetation projects is between September and January. Please note that a tree removal permit is required for trees of 16 inches or more in diameter at chest height.

 To detect bird nests, watch bird behavior. If a bird is carrying nest material or food to the same place in a patch of vegetation more than once, there is likely a nest in the area. Also, look for concentrations of white droppings on the ground, then check the trees or vegetation above the droppings for a nest. Actual nest structures are typically well-concealed and may not be seen if they are located in dense vegetation.

· If a bird is observed repeatedly visiting a nest or suspected nest site, building or sitting on a nest, it is considered "active" with eggs or nestlings. If an active nest is found prior to work, avoid work in the area until the young have fledged. A 50-foot no-work buffer should be applied for song birds and a 500foot no-work buffer should be applied for raptors.

For more information on vegetation management and construction guidelines visit cityofarcata.org/307/Construction-Demolition or call the Environmental Services Department at (707) 822-8184.